

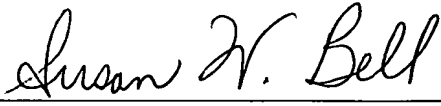
**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claims 1-31 remain in this application. Claims 32-33 have been canceled. Claims 4-8, 11-14, 16, 18-20, 22-26, 28, and 30-31 have been amended.

It is respectfully submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance and eventual issuance. Such action is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any further questions or comments which need be addressed in order to obtain allowance, please contact the undersigned attorney at the number listed below.

Acknowledgement of receipt is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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